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Solicitation No: 168-01-55
Issuance Date: 09-11-2001
Closing Date: 10-12-2001

Subject: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) 168-01-55
ASSISTANCE TO VODOVODS IN BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA

The Regional Contracting Office of the USAID Regional Services Center in Budapest, Hungary, is seeking proposals from U.S. or Bosnian firms to provide assistance to vodovods (water management boards) in Bosnia Herzegovina.

The contract is being competed in accordance with U.S. Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 15 covering negotiated procurements. To be considered, your written proposal must be submitted to our office in Budapest, Hungary, no later than the closing date and time: October 12, 2001 at 3:00pm (1500 hours). The envelope containing the proposal should be marked for "RFP 168-01-55."

The description of work and required tasks are detailed in RFP Section C.

As detailed in the RFP Section L, both a technical proposal and a separate cost proposal are requested.

The instructions for the technical proposal are in provision L.8 of the RFP. The technical proposal must address the three technical evaluation factors listed in Section M: 1) plan to implement the work; 2) the firm's capability to do the work, including past performance record; and the experience and capabilities of its candidates for three key positions listed in clause F.7 (Team Leader; Accountant; Engineer Specialist).

The instructions for the preparation of the cost proposal are in provision L.10 of the RFP.

Amendments to this RFP, if any, will be posted on the USAID website: www.usaid.gov. To find this RFP on the USAID website, first select "Business and Procurement," then select "USAID Procurements." Next select "Download USAID Solicitations" and then select "Request for Proposals." You will then find this RFP, its cover letter and its attachment listed. Also note that you can sign up to receive e-mail notifications of updates (including RFP amendments) by selecting that option and following its instructions.

Additional instructions concerning proposals and our competitive acquisition process are provided in Section L.

Questions concerning this RFP must be addressed in writing via email or fax to:
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Silles@usaid.gov and cmallay@usaid.gov

Sincerely,

Catherine A. Mallay
Contracting Officer

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7. ISSUED BY USAID/RSC/RCO/Budapest Bank Center, Granit Tower, 4th floor Budapest – 1054 Szabadsag ter 7-8., HUNGARY		8. ADDRESS OFFER TO (If other than Item 7)		6. REQUISITION/PURCHASE NO. 168-0004.68-1082			

NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" mean "bid" and "bidder"

SOLICITATION

9. Sealed offers in original and 4 copies for furnishing the supplies or services in the Schedule will be received at the place specified in Item 8, or if handcarried, in the depository located in Item 7 until 3:00 PM local time October 12, 2001. CAUTION LATE Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals: See Section L, Provision No. 52.214-7 or 52.215-1. All offers are subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation.

10. FOR INFORMATION CALL:	A. NAME Ms. Szilvia Illes		B. TELEPHONE NO. (NO COLLECT CALLS)		C. E-MAIL ADDRESS
	Intl CODE 36-1	NUMBER 475-4626	EXT.	"silles@usaid.gov"	

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OFFER (Must be fully completed by offeror)

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12. In compliance with the above, the undersigned agrees, if this offer is accepted within 60 calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the offeror) from the date for receipt of offers specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the schedule.

13. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See Section I, Clause No. 52.232-8)	10 CALENDAR DAYS (%) %	20 CALENDAR DAYS (%) %	30 CALENDAR DAYS (%) %	CALENDAR DAYS (%) %
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15A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFEROR	CODE	FACILITY	16. NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN OFFER (Type or print)
15B. TELEPHONE NUMBER AREA CODE NUMBER EXT.	15C. CHECK IF REMITTANCE ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE - ENTER SUCH ADDRESS IN SCHEDULE.		17. SIGNATURE
			18. OFFER DATE

AWARD (To be completed by Government)

19. ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS NUMBERED	20. AMOUNT	21. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION
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26. NAME OF Contracting Officer (Type or print) Catherine A. Mallay Regional Contracting Officer	27. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Signature of Contracting Officer)	28. AWARD DATE

IMPORTANT: Award will be made on this Form, or on Standard Form 26, or by other authorized official written notice.

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PART I - THE SCHEDULE

SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICE/COSTS**B.1 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this contract is to strengthen the institutional and financial sustainability and operational efficiency of selected vodovods so as to qualify the vodovods for commercial credits from the World Bank and/or other lenders.

B.2 FIRM FIXED PRICE

This is a firm fixed-price type of contract. The Contractor will be paid upon satisfactory completion of each priced subtask in Section C.

SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/STATEMENT OF WORK**I. Objective**

The contractor will work to strengthen the institutional and financial sustainability and operational efficiency of selected vodovods to make them self-sustainable public companies and to qualify the vodovods for commercial credits from the World Bank and/or other lenders.

II. Background

Prior to the war that led to Bosnia's independence, water and waste water services were provided in accordance with laws and practices of Yugoslavia. The sector was highly centralized and was operated in accordance with socialistic principles, meaning to say that the sector services were heavily subsidized. The four year war from 1991 – 1995 led to significant destruction and deterioration of sector facilities. It also caused major disruptions in operation and maintenance of sector systems. The improvement of the water supply and wastewater services had been identified as a major priority among the programs selected for reconstruction of Bosnia & Herzegovina after the war. In 1999, USAID Sarajevo commissioned a study to assess the needs for the reform of the water sector. The objective of this particular assessment was to examine the water problems at the local level. Ten vodovods (water management boards) were selected from throughout the country to participate in a pilot program for strengthening the capability of these vodovods to provide satisfactory water and wastewater services to their customers in a business-like manner, i.e., to become efficient and financially self-sustaining. The assessment of these vodovods has provided the information, guidance, and comprehensive materials to be used by specialists assigned to work with three selected vodovods and to train staff in those vodovods in how to make improvements in these problem areas.

Within the USAID BiH Minority Reintegration and Development Office (MRDO), a program of institutional strengthening of water and electric utilities has already begun. Like the ten vodovods selected for the pilot program for institutional strengthening, the needs in the three vodovods of Doboj, Orasje, and Tuzla and the special case of Brcko, are great but can substantially benefit from the recommendations made from the earlier studies. Therefore, and concurrent with the development of the legal and administrative basis for an effective utility that is the objective of this program, a specific project of institutional strengthening will be undertaken in the three vodovods.

The previous USAID financed study recommended the following priority goals (among others) for the entire sector:

1. Assist in the implementation of increased Autonomy for the Vodovod
2. Assist in the Increase of the Rate of Revenue Collections
3. Implement an Effective Metering Program
4. Develop Demand Management and Unaccounted for Water (UFW) Reduction Programs
5. Develop and Implement an Effective Accounting System
6. Develop and Implement an Effective Budgeting System

7. Establish More Realistic Tariff Rates.

All vodovods report to and are controlled by the municipality they serve. Absent the requisite autonomy needed by the vodovod, several potential and actual problems result. Pending implementation of reforms that would address this problem at the national level, it is necessary to implement the required degree of autonomy by means of an agreement between the municipality and the vodovod. The first study of countrywide reform of the water and wastewater was commissioned by EU Phare. That study was prepared by Plancenter, Ltd of Finland, BCEOM of France, and HEIS of Sarajevo BiH. The report sets out two main reasons for implementing nationwide reforms: (1) to overcome massive problems in the sector which are estimated to require approx. \$3.5 billion in improvements, and (2) to allow the GBiH to become a member of the European Union (EU). A similar study and recommendation was done by Plancenter for Republika Srpska. The reforms are based on European models and when implemented would diminish the powers of some very important constituencies in BiH. Nevertheless, the donor community is well aware of the absolutely fundamental need for sector reform and continues to be supportive of reform. One of the major recommendations is to significantly increase the autonomy of the vodovods at the local level and help them to become financially self-sufficient. The logic and need for the reforms is so great and the consequences of failure to enact reforms so dire, that reform appears inevitable. As a consequence, the strengthening of the autonomy of the vodovod at the local level is a prerequisite until such time as the national reforms are enacted, a phased program estimated to take between 24 to 27 months once all studies have been finalized and financing by the EC is completed.

III. USAID's Responsibility

USAID will provide the Contractor with, or access to, all available background information on targeted vodovods in include previous assessments and studies.

IV. Statement of Work

The four selected vodovods are:

Dobo	Republika Srpska
Tuzla	Canton of Tuzla-Podrinje, Federation BiH
Orasje	Canton of Posavina, Federation BiH
Brcko	District of Brcko

It will be the Contractor's responsibility to work with each of the vodovods and assist them in achieving institutional and financial sustainability. The operative word in each of these tasks is "implementation." Studies and assessment of the vodovods have been completed and this information will be made available to the Contractor. The intent is to utilize local specialists familiar with earlier vodovod trainings and studies performed by various international donors. The local specialists would continue the training for about one year and serve as a periodic resource to the vodovod for a period of an additional year.

Cost minimization: The proposed programs of first-priority strengthening for the model vodovods are based on transferring all responsibilities of training (to take place during initial first four or five months) and implementation to a local team. Future projects could also be undertaken completely by local specialists. This is expected to reduce costs significantly.

The Contractor will complete the seven tasks described below. Subtasks are individually described and fixed-price. The Contractor will be paid upon the satisfactory completion of each subtask for each vodovod.

TASK 1. Increase the autonomy of the Vodovod by developing a typical management agreement.

- 1.1 In collaboration with the Vodovod and Municipality, the Contractor will develop an agreement between the Vodovod and the Municipality if there is no existing document or will develop an improved agreement if one exists. Question: Or if we now know which of the 4 already have a management agreement, can we just list the vodovods that don't have one and need one developed? (Note: None of them has an agreement)

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 1.1 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 1.2 Obtain the **written** concurrence of both the Municipality and the Vodovod as to the legality of the document and their written agreement to adhere to it.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 1.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 1.3 **Draft** a two-year strategy consonant with the autonomy given by the document.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 1.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

TASK 2 Increase the Rate of Revenue Collections

A major problem cited by most vodovods is their failure to collect a satisfactory percentage of the amounts they bill customers. To provide specific guidance to each of the listed vodovods, the following tasks are required:

2.1 Draft a policy on payment of bills for services.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.1 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.2 Develop a strategy for billing customers in multi-family buildings.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.3 Develop guidelines to physically facilitate shut-offs.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.4 Verify the legality of implementing a shut-off policy.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.4 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.5 Develop a strategy to overcome non-payment by public customers.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.5 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.6 Evaluate the effect of more frequent billing.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.6 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

2.7 Recommend changes in data presented on bills.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 2.7 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

TASK 3 Implement an Effective Metering Program

Many vodovods have no meters on their sources. Metering of customers is seriously deficient. Where meters do exist many are inoperable. The following sub-tasks are to assist the vodovods in correcting this problem:

3.1 Assist in implementing a temporary source-metering program.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 3.1 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

3.2 Set up guidelines for proper metering including meter reading and recording of the results.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 3.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

3.3 Set up guidelines for proper meter reading and recording of results.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 3.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

3.4 Set up guidelines for monitoring, periodic replacement, and calibration and repair of meters.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 3.4 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

Task 4 Develop Demand Management and Unaccounted for Water (UFW) Reduction Programs

Demand management is a series of procedures or actions to assist the vodovod in reducing consumption and waste. The difference between the amount of water produced and the amount it can account for is referred to as UFW. Reasonable levels of demand assume the vodovod provides only as much water as its customers need and are willing to pay for. Also, reduction of water demand and correction of water losses will reduce or eliminate the need for expensive investment in new water sources. The following sub-tasks will assist the Contractor in helping the vodovod to prepare a demand water management program and a plan to reduce water losses.

4.1 Prepare requisite guidelines for this program and assist in implementing them.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 4.1 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

4.2 Determine water resources and organizational needs.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 4.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

Task 5 Develop and Implement an Effective Accounting System

Existing accounting practices are too general and lack transparency required for modern, business-oriented water and wastewater utilities. The Contractor will complete the following sub-tasks to provide the vodovods with a uniform chart of accounts and accounting practices that focus on their needs:

5.1 Review and report on existing accounting laws for BiH & RS.

Fixed-Price to complete Sub Task 5.1: _____

5.2 Taking the above into consideration, prepare a Chart of Accounts for each vodovod. Show separate accounts for the water function and wastewater function.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 5.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

5.3 Prepare detailed explanations and example entries for accounts.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 5.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

5.4 Develop implementation guidelines for vodovod accounting.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 5.4: _____

TASK 6 Develop and Implement an Effective Budget

To provide a guide for the budget process for each vodovod, the Contractor will design a budget for each using the following sub-tasks:

6.1 Determine and report on the budgeting needs of the vodovod.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 6.1 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 6.2 Develop procedures for a budgeting process for operating costs based on department responsibilities (financial, water sources, distribution).

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 6.2 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 6.3 Develop procedures for a budgeting process for capital investments on department requirements.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 6.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 6.4 Develop reporting requirements.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 6.4 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

TASK 7 Establish More Realistic Tariff Rates

Unit charges per cubic meter of water usage vary throughout the country. They are also based on customer classification. The following sub-tasks are to help the vodovod implement a more realistic and meaningful tariff structure:

- 7.1 Prepare a tariff model for general use by all vodovods but which can be modified and implemented for the selected vodovods.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 7.1: _____

- 7.2 Implement a Tariff Review Committee and explain the role of the committee.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 7.2: _____

- 7.3 Develop implementation guidelines for each vodovod.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 7.3 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

- 7.4 Develop a program to require governmental agencies to subsidize those unable to pay for water and wastewater services.

Fixed Price to complete Sub Task 7.4 for each Vodovod:

Doboj: _____

Tuzla: _____

Orasje: _____

Brcko: _____

SECTION D - PACKAGING AND MARKING**D.1 AIDAR 752.7009 MARKING (JAN 1993)**

(a) It is USAID policy that USAID-financed commodities and shipping containers, and project construction sites and other project locations be suitably marked with the USAID emblem. Shipping containers are also to be marked with the last five digits of the USAID financing document number. As a general rule, marking is not required for raw materials shipped in bulk (such as coal, grain, etc.), or for semifinished products which are not packaged.

(b) Specific guidance on marking requirements should be obtained prior to procurement of commodities to be shipped, and as early as possible for project construction sites and other project locations. This guidance will be provided through the cognizant technical office indicated on the cover page of this contract, or by the Mission Director in the Cooperating Country to which commodities are being shipped, or in which the project site is located.

(c) Authority to waive marking requirements is vested with the Regional Assistant Administrators, and with Mission Directors.

(d) A copy of any specific marking instructions or waivers from marking requirements is to be sent to the Contracting Officer; the original should be retained by the Contractor.

SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

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52.246-4	INSPECTION OF SERVICES--FIXED-PRICE	AUG 1996
52.246-16	RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLIES	APR 1984

E.1 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

USAID inspection and acceptance of services, reports and other required deliverables or outputs shall take place at:

USAID/Bosnia & Herzegovina
Sarajevo - 71000
Obala Kulina Bana 1.

or at any other location where the services are performed and reports and deliverables or outputs are produced or submitted. The CTO listed in Section G has been delegated authority to inspect and accept all services, reports and required deliverables or outputs.

SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE**F.1 NOTICE LISTING CONTRACT CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

The following contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date) in accordance with the clause at FAR "52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE" in Section I of this contract. See FAR 52.252-2 for an internet address (if specified) for electronic access to the full text of a clause.

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
52.242-15	STOP-WORK ORDER	AUG 1989
52.242-17	GOVERNMENT DELAY OF WORK	APR 1984
52.247-35	F.O.B. DESTINATION, WITHIN CONSIGNEE'S PREMISES	APR 1984

F.2 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The period of performance for this contract is 2 years from the date of award.

F.3 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Evaluation of the Contractor's overall performance in accordance with the performance standards set forth in Section C, Tangible Results and Deliverables, will be conducted jointly by the CTO and the Contracting Officer, and shall form the basis of the Contractor's permanent performance record with regard to this contract.

F.4 REPORTS AND DELIVERABLES OR OUTPUTS

In addition to the requirements set forth for submission of reports in Sections I and J and in the AIDAR clause 752.242-70, Periodic Progress Reports, the Contractor shall submit the following deliverables or outputs to the CTO specified in Section G:

F.5 PROGRESS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor will provide monthly status reports to the Cognizant Technical Officer (CTO).

F.7 KEY PERSONNEL

A. The key personnel which the Contractor shall furnish for the performance of this contract are as follows:

Team Leader: a qualified bilingual hydro-engineer (or civil engineer with hydro-engineering experience) with demonstrated water management background.

Accountant: Accounting technician familiar with the existing accounting laws for both BiH and RS and who has the expertise to train the local accountants in using the accounting system recently taught by USAID contractors.

Engineer Specialist: Expert in determining unaccounted for water problems and developing a water management program.

B. The personnel specified above are considered to be essential to the work being performed hereunder. Prior to replacing any of the specified individuals, the Contractor shall immediately notify both the Contracting Officer and USAID Cognizant Technical Officer reasonably in advance and shall submit written justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the program. No replacement of personnel shall be made by the Contractor without the written consent of the Contracting Officer.

**F.8 SUBMISSION OF DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE DOCUMENTATION
TO PPC/CDIE/DI**

USAID contractors must submit one electronic and/or one hard copy of development experience documentation (electronic copies are preferred) to the Development Experience Clearinghouse at the following address.

Development Experience Clearinghouse
1611 N. Kent Street, Suite 200
Arlington, VA 22209-2111

Telephone Number 703-351-4006, ext. 100
Fax Number 703-351-4039
E-mail: docsubmit@dec.cdie.org
<http://www.dec.org>

SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA**G.1 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTING OFFICE**

The Administrative Contracting Office is:

See item 7. on Cover Page

G.2 COGNIZANT TECHNICAL OFFICER (CTO)

The Cognizant Technical Officer is Peter Flynn or his or her designee at:

USAID/Bosnia & Herzegovina
Sarajevo - 71000
Obala Kulina Bana 1.
Bosnia-Herzegovina

Telephone: (387-33) 667-900

G.3 TECHNICAL DIRECTIONS/RELATIONSHIP WITH USAID

(a) Technical Directions is defined to include:

- (1) Written directions to the Contractor which fill in details, suggest possible lines of inquiry, or otherwise facilitate completion of work;
- (2) Provision of written information to the Contractor which assists in the interpretation of drawings, specifications, or technical portions of the work statement;
- (3) Review and, where required, provide written approval of technical reports, drawings, specifications, or technical information to be delivered. Technical directions must be in writing, and must be within the scope of the work as detailed in Section C.

(b) The CTO is authorized by designation to take any or all action with respect to the following which could lawfully be taken by the Contracting Officer, except any action specifically prohibited by the terms of this Contract:

(1) Assure that the Contractor performs the technical requirements of the contract in accordance with the contract terms, conditions, and specifications.

(2) Perform or cause to be performed, inspections necessary in connection with a) above and require the Contractor to correct all deficiencies; perform acceptance for the Government.

(3) Maintain all liaison and direct communications with the Contractor. Written communications with the Contractor and documents shall be signed as "Cognizant Technical Officer" with a copy furnished to the Contracting Officer.

(4) Issue written interpretations of technical requirements of Government drawings, designs, and specifications.

(5) Monitor the Contractor's production or performance progress and notify the Contractor in writing of deficiencies observed during surveillance, and direct appropriate action to effect correction. Record and report to the Contracting Officer incidents of faulty or nonconforming work, delays or problems.

(6) Obtain necessary security clearance and appropriate identification if access to Government facilities is required. If to be provided, ensure that Government furnished property is available when required.

LIMITATIONS: The CTO is not empowered to award, agree to, or sign any contract (including delivery or purchase orders) or modifications thereto, or in any way to obligate the payment of money by the Government. The CTO may not take any action which may impact on the contract schedule, funds, scope or rate of utilization of LOE. All contractual agreements, commitments, or modifications which involve prices, quantities, quality, schedules shall be made only by the Contracting Officer.

(c) The CTO is required to meet quarterly/semi-annually/annually with the Contractor and the Contracting Officer concerning performance of items delivered under this contract and any other administration or technical issues. Telephonic reports may be made if no problems are being experienced. Problem areas should be brought to the immediate attention of the Contracting Officer.

(d) In the absence of the designated CTO, the CTO may designate someone to serve as CTO in their place. However, such action to direct an individual to act in the CTO's stead shall immediately be communicated to the Contractor and the Contracting Officer.

(e) Contractual Problems - Contractual problems, of any nature, that may arise during the life of the contract must be handled in conformance with specific public laws and regulations (i.e. Federal Acquisition Regulation and Agency for International Development Acquisition Regulation). The Contractor and the CTO shall bring all contracting problems to the immediate attention of the Contracting Officer. Only the Contracting Officer is authorized to formally resolve such problems. The Contracting Officer will be responsible for resolving legal issues, determining contract scope and interpreting contract terms and conditions. The Contracting Officer is the sole authority authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements under this contract. Notwithstanding any clause contained elsewhere in this contract, the said authority remains solely with the Contracting Officer. These changes include, but will not be limited to the following areas: scope of work, price, quantity, technical specifications, delivery schedules, and contract terms and conditions. In the event the Contractor effects any changes at the direction of any other person other than the Contracting Officer, the change will be considered to have been made without authority.

(f) Failure by the Contractor to report to the Administrative Contracting Office, any action by the Government considered to a change, within the specified number of days contained in FAR 52.243-7 (Notification of Changes), waives the Contractor's right to any claims for equitable adjustments.

G.4 PAYING OFFICE

The paying office for this contract is:

G.5 ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA

Budget Fiscal: 2002

Operating Unit:

Strategic Objective:

Team/Division:

Benefiting Geo Area:

Object Class:

Amount Obligated:

SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

752.7027

PERSONNEL

DEC 1990

H.1 AIDAR 752.225-70 SOURCE, ORIGIN AND NATIONALITY REQUIREMENTS (FEB 1997)

(a) Except as may be specifically approved by the Contracting Officer, all commodities (e.g., equipment, materials, vehicles, supplies) and services (including commodity transportation services) which will be financed under this contract with U.S. dollars shall be procured in accordance with the requirements in 22 CFR part 228, "Rules on Source, Origin and Nationality for Commodities and Services Financed by USAID." The authorized source for procurement is Geographic Code 000 unless otherwise specified in the schedule of this contract. Guidance on eligibility of specific goods or services may be obtained from the Contracting Officer.

(b) Ineligible goods and services. The Contractor shall not procure any of the following goods or services under this contract:

- (1) Military equipment,
- (2) Surveillance equipment,
- (3) Commodities and services for support of police and other law enforcement activities,
- (4) Abortion equipment and services,
- (5) Luxury goods and gambling equipment, or
- (6) Weather modification equipment.

(c) Restricted goods. The Contractor shall not procure any of the following goods or services without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer:

- (1) Agricultural commodities,
- (2) Motor vehicles,
- (3) Pharmaceuticals and contraceptive items,
- (4) Pesticides,
- (5) Fertilizer,
- (6) Used equipment, or
- (7) U.S. government-owned excess property.

If USAID determines that the Contractor has procured any of these specific restricted goods under this contract without the prior written authorization of the Contracting Officer, and has received payment for such purposes, the Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to refund the entire amount of the purchase.

H.2 AIDAR 752.7032 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND AIDAR 752.7027 PERSONNEL

In accordance with the above clauses, the Contracting Officer hereby provides prior written approval for international travel, provided that concurrence with the assignment of individuals outside the United States is obtained by the Contractor, in writing, from the CTO prior to their assignment abroad, which must be within the terms of this contract, is subject to availability of funds, and should not be construed as authorization either to increase the estimated cost or to exceed the obligated amount (see Section B). The Contractor shall retain for audit purposes a copy of each travel concurrence.

H.3 INSURANCE AND SERVICES

(a) Pursuant to AIDAR 752.228-3 Worker's Compensation Insurance (Defense Base Act); USAID's DBA insurance carrier is:

Rutherford International, Inc.
5500 Cherokee Avenue, Suite 300
Alexandria, VA 22312

Points of Contact:
Sara Payne or Diane Ford
703) 354-1616

Hours of Operation are: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST)
Telefax: 703) 354-0370
E-Mail: www.rutherford.com

(b) Pursuant to AIDAR 752.228-70 Medical Evacuation (MEDEVAC) Services, USAID's Medevac service provider is:

Medex Assistance Corporation
P.O. Box 5375
Timonium, MD 21094-5375
Telephone: (410) 453-6300 in Maryland
or (800) 537-2029 (toll-free)
Telefax: (410) 453-6301

Applicants should request coverage in accordance with USAID Contract No. HNE-Q-00-98-00106-00.

Medevac services costs are allowable as a direct cost.

H.4 AUTHORIZED GEOGRAPHIC CODE

The authorized geographic code for procurement of goods and services under this contract is 000 and 168.

**H.5 NONEXPENDABLE PROPERTY PURCHASES AND INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES**

The Contractor is hereby authorized to purchase the following equipment and/or resources:

None.

H.6 LOGISTIC SUPPORT

The Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all logistic support in the United States and overseas.

H.7 LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

N/A.

H.8 PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

(a) Limitations:

(1) Salaries and wages may not exceed the Contractor's established policy and practice, including the Contractor's established pay scale for equivalent classifications of employees, which shall be certified to by the Contractor. Nor may any individual salary or wage, without approval of the Cognizant Contracting Officer, exceed the employee's current salary or wage, or the highest rate of annual salary or wage received during any full year of the immediately preceding three (3) years.

(2) In addition, there is a ceiling on the reimbursable base salary or wage paid to personnel under the Contract equivalent to the maximum annual salary rate of the USAID "ES-6" (or the equivalent daily rate of the maximum ES-6 salary, if compensation is not calculated on an annual basis), as amended from time to time, unless an advance written waiver is granted by the USAID Procurement Executive prior to contract award.

(b) Salaries During Travel

Salaries and wages paid while in travel status will not be reimbursed for a travel period greater than the time required for travel by the most direct and expeditious air route.

(c) Return of Overseas Employees

Salaries and wages paid to an employee serving overseas who is discharged by the Contractor for misconduct, inexcusable non- performance, or security reasons will in no event be reimbursed for a period which extends beyond the time required to return him promptly to his point of origin by the most direct and expeditious air route.

(d) Annual Salary Increases

One annual salary increase (includes promotional increase) of not more than the annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) received by Federal General Schedule (GS) employees may be granted after the employee's completion of each twelve month period of satisfactory services under the contract. Annual salary increases of any kind exceeding these limitations or exceeding the maximum salary of ES-6 may be granted only with the advance written approval of the Contracting Officer.

(e) Consultants

No compensation for consultants will be reimbursed unless their use under the contract has advance written approval of the Contracting Officer; and if such provision has been made or approval given, compensation shall not exceed 1) the highest rate of annual compensation received by the consultant during any full year of the immediately preceding three years or 2) the maximum daily salary rate of ES-6, whichever is less.

(f) Initial Salaries

The initial starting salaries of all employees whose salaries are charged as a direct cost to this contract must be approved, in advance and in writing, by the Contracting Officer. (any initial starting salaries included in the contractor's best and final and accepted during negotiations, are deemed approved upon contract execution).

NOTE: The daily rate of a Foreign Service officer Class 1 (ES-6) is determined by dividing the annual salary by 2087 hours and multiplying the quotient by 8.

NOTE: Any Approvals issued pursuant to the above sections shall be retained by the Contractor for audit purposes. Approvals issued pursuant to the above must be within the terms of this contract, and shall not serve to increase the total estimated cost or the obligated amount of this contract, whichever is less (see Part I, Section B.3 of this contract).

(g) Work Week

(1) Nonoverseas Employees. The length of the contractor's U.S., non-overseas employees workday shall be in accordance with the contractor's established policies and practices and shall not be less than 8 hours per day and 40 hours per week.

(2) Overseas Employee

The work week for the Contractor's overseas employees shall not be less than 40 hours and shall be scheduled to coincide with the work week for those employees of the USAID Mission and the Cooperation Country associated with the work of this contract.

(h) Definitions

As used herein, the terms "Salaries," "Wages," and "Compensation" mean the periodic remuneration received for professional or technical services rendered, exclusive of any of the differentials or allowances defined in the clause of this contract entitled "Differentials and Allowances" (AIDAR 752.7028), unless otherwise stated. The term "compensation" includes payments for personal services (including fees and honoraria). It excludes earnings from sources other than the individual's professional or technical work, overhead, or other charges (see also the clause of this contract entitled "Personnel Compensation" (AIDAR 752.70071).

**H.9 SUBCONTRACTING PLAN AND THE SF 294 - SUBCONTRACTING
REPORT FOR INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS AND SF 295 - SUMMARY
CONTRACTING REPORT**

The Contractor's subcontracting plan dated is hereby incorporated as a material part of this contract.

In accordance with FAR 52.219-9, SF 294 and SF 295 should be forwarded to the following address:

U.S. Agency for International Development
Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business
Utilization
Room 7.08 RRB
Washington, D.C. 20523

PART II - CONTRACT CLAUSES**SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES****I.1 NOTICE LISTING CONTRACT CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

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NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
52.202-1	DEFINITIONS	OCT 1995
52.203-3	GRATUITIES	APR 1984
52.203-5	COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES	APR 1984
52.203-6	RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE GOVERNMENT	JUL 1995
52.203-7	ANTI-KICKBACK PROCEDURES	JUL 1995
52.203-8	CANCELLATION, RESCISSION, AND RECOVERY OF FUNDS FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY	JAN 1997
52.203-10	PRICE OR FEE ADJUSTMENT FOR ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITY	JAN 1997
52.203-12	LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS	JUN 1997
52.204-4	PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER	AUG 2000
52.209-6	PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT	JUL 1995
52.215-2	AUDIT AND RECORDS--NEGOTIATION	JUN 1999
52.215-8	ORDER OF PRECEDENCE--UNIFORM CONTRACT FORMAT	OCT 1997
52.215-14	INTEGRITY OF UNIT PRICES	OCT 1997
52.217-2	CANCELLATION UNDER MULTIYEAR CONTRACTS	OCT 1997
52.219-4	NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (JAN 1999)	JAN 1999
52.222-3	CONVICT LABOR	AUG 1996
52.222-21	PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES	FEB 1999
52.225-13	RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES	JUL 2000
52.225-14	INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ENGLISH VERSION AND TRANSLATION OF CONTRACT	FEB 2000
52.227-14	RIGHTS IN DATA--GENERAL	JUN 1987
52.232-1	PAYMENTS	APR 1984

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52.232-8	DISCOUNTS FOR PROMPT PAYMENT	MAY 1997
52.232-11	EXTRAS	APR 1984
52.232-17	INTEREST	JUN 1996
52.232-18	AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	APR 1984
52.232-24	PROHIBITION OF ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS	JAN 1986
52.233-1	DISPUTES	DEC 1998
52.233-3	PROTEST AFTER AWARD	AUG 1996
52.242-13	BANKRUPTCY	JUL 1995
52.243-1	CHANGES--FIXED PRICE	AUG 1987
	ALTERNATE II (APR 1984)	
52.244-2	SUBCONTRACTS	AUG 1998
52.244-6	SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS AND	OCT 1998
	COMMERCIAL COMPONENTS	
52.246-23	LIMITATION OF LIABILITY	FEB 1997
52.249-2	TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE	SEP 1996
	GOVERNMENT (FIXED-PRICE)	
52.249-8	DEFAULT (FIXED-PRICE SUPPLY AND SERVICE)	APR 1984
52.253-1	COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS	JAN 1991
752.202-1	DEFINITIONS	
752.211-70	LANGUAGE AND MEASUREMENT	JUN 1992
752.225-71	LOCAL PROCUREMENT	FEB 1997
752.226-2	SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED	APR 1997
	ENTERPRISE	
752.226-3	LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING	JUN 1993
752.228-70	MEDICAL EVACUATION (MEDVAC) SERVICES	MAR 1993
752.242-70	PERIODIC PROGRESS REPORTS	JUL 1998
752.7006	NOTICES	APR 1984
752.7008	USE OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES OR	APR 1984
	PERSONNEL	
752.7010	CONVERSION OF U.S. DOLLARS TO LOCAL	APR 1984
	CURRENCY	
752.7013	CONTRACTOR-MISSION RELATIONSHIPS	OCT 1989
752.7015	USE OF POUCH FACILITIES	JUL 1997
752.7025	APPROVALS	APR 1984
752.7029	POST PRIVILEGES	JUL 1993
752.7033	PHYSICAL FITNESS	JUL 1997
752.7034	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DISCLAIMER	DEC 1991

I.2 52.219-23 NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS (OCT 1999)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

Small disadvantaged business concern means an offeror that represents, as part of its offer, that it is a small business under the size standard applicable to this acquisition; and either--

(1) It has received certification by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B; and

(i) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification;

(ii) Where the concern is owned by one or more disadvantaged individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

(iii) It is identified, on the date of its representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net).

(2) It has submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted. In this case, in order to receive the benefit of a price evaluation adjustment, an offeror must receive certification as a small disadvantaged business concern by the Small Business Administration prior to contract award; or

(3) Is a joint venture as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002(f).

Historically black college or university means an institution determined by the Secretary of Education to meet the requirements of 34 CFR 608.2. For the Department of Defense (DoD), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Coast Guard, the term also includes any nonprofit research institution that was an integral part of such a college or university before November 14, 1986.

Minority institution means an institution of higher education meeting the requirements of Section 1046(3) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1135d-5(3)) which, for purposes of this clause, includes a Hispanic-serving institution of higher education as defined in Section 316(b)(1) of the Act (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)(1)).

United States means the United States, its territories and possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and the District of Columbia.

(b) Evaluation adjustment. (1) The Contracting Officer will evaluate offers by adding a factor of ??? percent to the price of all offers, except--

(i) Offers from small disadvantaged business concerns that have not waived the adjustment;

(ii) An otherwise successful offer of eligible products under the Trade Agreements Act when the dollar threshold for application of the Act is equaled or exceeded (see section 25.402 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR));

(iii) An otherwise successful offer where application of the factor would be inconsistent with a Memorandum of Understanding or other international agreement with a foreign government;

(iv) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, an otherwise successful offer from a historically black college or university or minority institution; and

(v) For DoD acquisitions, an otherwise successful offer of qualifying country end products (see sections 225.000-70 and 252.225-7001 of the Defense FAR Supplement).

(2) The Contracting Officer will apply the factor to a line item or a group of line items on which award may be made. The Contracting Officer will apply other evaluation factors described in the solicitation before application of the factor. The factor may not be applied if using the adjustment would cause the contract award to be made at a price that exceeds the fair market price by more than the factor in paragraph (b)(1) of this clause.

(c) Waiver of evaluation adjustment. A small disadvantaged business concern may elect to waive the adjustment, in which case the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes. The agreements in paragraph (d) of this clause do not apply to offers that waive the adjustment.

[] Offeror elects to waive the adjustment.

(d) Agreements. (1) A small disadvantaged business concern, that did not waive the adjustment, agrees that in performance of the contract, in the case of a contract for --

(i) Services, except construction, at least 50 percent of the cost of personnel for contract performance will be spent for employees of the concern;

(ii) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), at least 50 percent of the cost of manufacturing, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by the concern;

(iii) General construction, at least 15 percent of the cost of the contract, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by employees of the concern; or

(iv) Construction by special trade contractors, at least 25 percent of the cost of the contract, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by employees of the concern.

(2) A small disadvantaged business concern submitting an offer in its own name agrees to furnish in performing this contract only end items manufactured or produced by small disadvantaged business concerns in the United States. This paragraph does not apply in connection with construction or service contracts.

I.3 52.232-25 PROMPT PAYMENT (JUN 1997)

Notwithstanding any other payment clause in this contract, the Government will make invoice payments and contract financing payments under the terms and conditions specified in this clause. Payment shall be considered as being made on the day a check is dated or the date of an electronic funds transfer. Definitions of pertinent terms are set forth in section 32.902 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. All days referred to in this clause are calendar days, unless otherwise specified. (However, see subparagraph (a)(4) of this clause concerning payments due on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.)

(a) Invoice payments (1) Due Date. (i) Except as indicated in subparagraph (a)(2) and paragraph (c) of this clause, the due date for making invoice payments by the designated payment office shall be the later of the following two events:

(A) The 30th day after the designated billing office has received a proper invoice from the Contractor (except as provided in subdivision (a)(1)(ii) of this clause).

(B) The 30th day after Government acceptance of supplies delivered or services performed by the Contractor. On a final invoice where the payment amount is subject to contract settlement actions, acceptance shall be deemed to have occurred on the effective date of the contract settlement.

(ii) If the designated billing office fails to annotate the invoice with the actual date of receipt at the time of receipt, the invoice payment due date shall be the 30th day after the date of the Contractor's invoice; provided a proper invoice is received and there is no disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with contract requirements.

(2) Certain food products and other payments. (i) Due dates on Contractor invoices for meat, meat food products, or fish; perishable agricultural commodities; and dairy products, edible fats or oils, and food products prepared from edible fats or oils are--

(A) For meat or meat food products, as defined in section 2(a)(3) of the Packers and Stockyard Act of 1921 (7 U.S.C. 182(3)), and as further defined in Pub. L. 98-181, including any edible fresh or frozen poultry meat, any perishable

poultry meat food product, fresh eggs, and any perishable egg product, as close as possible to, but not later than, the 7th day after product delivery.

(B) For fresh or frozen fish, as defined in section 204(3) of the Fish and Seafood Promotion Act of 1986 (16 U.S.C. 4003(3)), as close as possible to, but not later than, the 7th day after product delivery.

(C) For perishable agricultural commodities, as defined in section 1(4) of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930 (7 U.S.C. 499a(4)), as close as possible to, but not later than, the 10th day after product delivery, unless another date is specified in the contract.

(D) For dairy products, as defined in section 111(e) of the Dairy Production Stabilization Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 4502(e)), edible fats or oils, and food products prepared from edible fats or oils, as close as possible to, but not later than, the 10th day after the date on which a proper invoice has been received. Liquid milk, cheese, certain processed cheese products, butter, yogurt, ice cream, mayonnaise, salad dressings, and other similar products, fall within this classification. Nothing in the Act limits this classification to refrigerated products. When questions arise regarding the proper classification of a specific product, prevailing industry practices will be followed in specifying a contract payment due date. The burden of proof that a classification of a specific product is, in fact, prevailing industry practice is upon the Contractor making the representation.

(ii) If the contract does not require submission of an invoice for payment (e.g., periodic lease payments), the due date will be as specified in the contract.

(3) Contractor's invoice. The Contractor shall prepare and submit invoices to the designated billing office specified in the contract. A proper invoice must include the items listed in paragraph (a)(3)(i) through (a)(3)(viii) of this clause. If the invoice does not comply with these requirements, it shall be returned within 7 days after the date the designated billing office received the invoice (3 days for meat, meat food products, or fish; 5 days for perishable agricultural commodities, edible fats or oils, and food products prepared from edible fats or oils), with a statement of the reasons why it is not a proper invoice. Untimely notification will be taken into account in computing any interest penalty owed the Contractor in the manner described in subparagraph (a)(5) of this clause.

(i) Name and address of the Contractor.

(ii) Invoice date. (The Contractor is encouraged to date invoices as close as possible to the date of the mailing or transmission.)

(iii) Contract number or other authorization for supplies delivered or services performed (including order number and contract line item number).

(iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of supplies delivered or services performed.

(v) Shipping and payment terms (e.g., shipment number and date of shipment, prompt payment discount terms). Bill of lading number and weight of shipment will be shown for shipments on Government bills of lading.

(vi) Name and address of Contractor official to whom payment is to be sent (must be the same as that in the contract or in a proper notice of assignment).

(vii) Name (where practicable), title, phone number, and mailing address of person to be notified in the event of a defective invoice.

(viii) Any other information or documentation required by the contract (such as evidence of shipment).

(ix) While not required, the Contractor is strongly encouraged to assign an identification number to each invoice.

(4) Interest penalty. An interest penalty shall be paid automatically by the designated payment office, without request from the Contractor, if payment is not made by the due date and the conditions listed in paragraphs (a)(4)(i) through (a)(4)(iii) of this clause are met, if applicable. However, when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day without incurring a late payment interest penalty.

(i) A proper invoice was received by the designated billing office.

(ii) A receiving report or other Government documentation authorizing payment was processed, and there was no disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with any contract term or condition.

(iii) In the case of a final invoice for any balance of funds due the Contractor for supplies delivered or services performed, the amount was not subject to further contract settlement actions between the Government and the Contractor.

(5) Computing penalty amount. The interest penalty shall be at the rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury under section 12 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 611) that is in effect on the day after the due date, except where the interest penalty is prescribed by other governmental authority (e.g., tariffs). This rate is referred to as the "Renegotiation Board Interest Rate," and it is published in the Federal Register semiannually on or about January 1 and July 1. The interest penalty shall accrue daily on the invoice principal payment amount approved by the Government until the payment date of such approved principal amount; and will be compounded in 30-day increments inclusive from the first day after the due date through the payment date. That is, interest accrued at the end of any 30-day period will be added to the approved invoice principal payment amount and will be subject to interest penalties if not paid in the succeeding 30-day period. If the designated billing office failed to notify the Contractor of a defective invoice within the periods prescribed in subparagraph (a)(3) of this clause, the due date on the corrected invoice will be adjusted by subtracting from such date the number of days taken beyond the prescribed notification of defects period. Any interest penalty owed the Contractor will be based on this adjusted due date. Adjustments will be made by the designated payment office for errors in calculating interest penalties.

(i) For the sole purpose of computing an interest penalty that might be due the Contractor, Government acceptance shall be deemed to have occurred constructively on the 7th (unless otherwise specified in this contract) after the Contractor delivered the supplies or performed the services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, unless there is a disagreement over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with a contract provision. In the event that actual acceptance occurs within the constructive acceptance period, the determination of an interest penalty shall be based on the actual date of acceptance. The constructive acceptance requirement does not, however, compel Government officials to accept supplies or services, perform contract administration functions, or make payment prior to fulfilling their responsibilities.

(ii) The following periods of time will not be included in the determination of an interest penalty:

(A) The period taken to notify the Contractor of defects in invoices submitted to the Government, but this may not exceed 7 days (3 days for meat, meat food products, or fish; 5 days for perishable agricultural commodities, dairy products, edible fats or oils, and food products prepared from edible fats or oils).

(B) The period between the defects notice and resubmission of the corrected invoice by the Contractor.

(C) For incorrect electronic funds transfer (EFT) information, in accordance with the EFT clause of this contract.

(iii) Interest penalties will not continue to accrue after the filing of a claim for such penalties under the clause at 52.233-1, Disputes, or for more than 1 year. Interest penalties of less than \$1 need not be paid.

(iv) Interest penalties are not required on payment delays due to disagreement between the Government and the Contractor over the payment amount or other issues involving contract compliance or on amounts temporarily withheld or retained in accordance with the terms of the contract. Claims involving disputes, and any interest that may be payable, will be resolved in accordance with the clause at 52.233-1, Disputes.

(6) Prompt payment discounts. An interest penalty also shall be paid automatically by the designated payment office, without request from the Contractor, if a discount for prompt payment is taken improperly. The interest penalty will be calculated as described in subparagraph (a)(5) of this clause on the amount of discount taken for the period beginning with the first day after the end of the discount period through the date when the Contractor is paid.

(7) Additional interest penalty. (i) a penalty amount, calculated in accordance with paragraph (a)(7)(iii) of this clause, shall be paid in addition to the interest penalty amount if the Contractor--

(A) Is owed an interest penalty of \$1 or more;

(B) Is not paid the interest penalty within 10 days after the date the invoice amount is paid; and

(C) Makes a written demand to the designated payment office for additional penalty payment, in accordance with paragraph (a)(7)(ii) of this clause, postmarked not later than 40 days after the invoice amount is paid.

(ii)(A) Contractors shall support written demands for additional penalty payments with the following data. No additional data shall be required. Contractors shall--

(1) Specifically assert that late payment interest is due under a specific invoice, and request payment of all overdue late payment interest penalty and such additional penalty as may be required;

(2) Attach a copy of the invoice on which the unpaid late payment interest was due; and

(3) State that payment of the principal has been received, including the date of receipt.

(B) Demands must be postmarked on or before the 40th day after payment was made, except that--

(1) If the postmark is illegible or nonexistent, the demand must have been received and annotated with the date of receipt by the designated payment office on or before the 40th day after payment was made; or

(2) If the postmark is illegible or nonexistent and the designated payment office fails to make the required annotation, the demand's validity will be determined by the date the Contractor has placed on the demand; provided such date is no later than the 40th day after payment was made.

(iii)(A) The additional penalty shall be equal to 100 percent of any original late payment interest penalty, except--

(1) The additional penalty shall not exceed \$5,000;

(2) The additional penalty shall never be less than \$25; and

(3) No additional penalty is owed if the amount of the underlying interest penalty is less than \$1.

(B) If the interest penalty ceases to accrue in accordance with the limits stated in paragraph (a)(5)(iii) of this clause, the amount of the additional penalty shall be calculated on the amount of interest penalty that would have accrued in the absence of these limits, subject to the overall limits on the additional penalty specified in paragraph (a)(7)(iii)(A) of this clause.

(C) For determining the maximum and minimum additional penalties, the test shall be the interest penalty due on each separate payment made for each separate contract. The maximum and minimum additional penalty shall not be based upon individual invoices unless the invoices are paid separately. Where payments are consolidated for disbursing purposes, the maximum and minimum additional penalty determination shall be made separately for each contract therein.

(D) The additional penalty does not apply to payments regulated by other Government regulations (e.g., payments under utility contracts subject to tariffs and regulation).

(b) Contract financing payments--(1) Due dates for recurring financing payments. If this contract provides for contract financing, requests for payment shall be submitted to the designated billing office as specified in this contract or as directed by the Contracting Officer. Contract financing payments shall be made on the 30th day after receipt of a proper contract financing request by the designated billing office. In the event that an audit or other review of a specific financing request is required to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract, the designated payment office is not compelled to make payment by the due date specified.

(2) Due dates for other contract financing. For advance payments, loans, or other arrangements that do not involve recurring submissions of contract financing requests, payment shall be made in accordance with the corresponding contract terms or as directed by the Contracting Officer.

(3) Interest penalty not applicable. Contract financing payments shall not be assessed an interest penalty for payment delays.

(c) Fast payment procedure due dates. If this contract contains the clause at 52.213-1, Fast Payment Procedure, payments will be made within 15 days after the date of receipt of the invoice.

I.4 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.arnet.gov/far>

I.5 USAIDAR 752.7032 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (JAN 1990)

Prior written approval by the Contracting Officer is required for all international travel directly and identifiably funded by USAID under this contract. The Contractor shall therefore present to the Contracting Officer an itinerary for each planned international trip, showing the name of the traveler, purpose of the trip, origin/destination (and intervening stops), and dates of travel, as far in advanced of the proposed travel as possible, but in no event less than three weeks before travel is planned to commence. The Contracting Officer's prior written approval may be in the form of a letter or telegram or similar device or may be specifically incorporated into the schedule of the contract. At least one week prior to commencement of approved international travel, the Contractor shall notify the cognizant Mission, with a copy to the Contracting Officer, of planned travel, identifying the travellers and the dates and times of arrival.

I.6 COMMUNICATIONS PRODUCTS (OCT 1994)

(a) Definition - Communications products are any printed materials (other than non-color photocopy material), photographic services or video production services.

(b) Standards - USAID has established standards for communications products. These standards must be followed unless otherwise specifically provided in the contract or approved in writing by the contracting officer. A copy of the standards for USAID financed publications and video productions is attached.

(c) Communications products which meet any of the following criteria are not eligible for USAID financing under this agreement unless specifically authorized in the contract or in writing by the contracting officer:

(1) All communications materials funded by operating expense account funds;

(2) Any communication products costing over \$25,000, including the costs of both preparation and execution. For example, in the case of a publication, the costs will include research, writing and other editorial services (including any associated overhead), design, layout and production costs.

(3) Any communication products that will be sent directly to, or likely to be seen by, a Member of Congress or Congressional staffer; and

(4) Any publication that will have more than 50 percent of its copies distributed in the United States (excluding copies provided to CDIE and other USAID/W offices for internal use.

(d) The initial proposal must provide a separate estimate of the cost of every communications product as defined in paragraph (a) above [not just those which meet the criteria in paragraph (c)] which is anticipated under the contract. Each estimate must include all of the costs associated with preparation and execution of the product. Any subsequent request for approval of a covered communication product must provide the same type of cost information.

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PART IV - REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**SECTION K - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND
OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS****K.1 NOTICE LISTING SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED
BY REFERENCE**

The following solicitation provisions pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date) in accordance with the FAR provision at FAR "52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE" in Section L of this solicitation. See FAR 52.252-1 for an internet address (if specified) for electronic access to the full text of a provision.

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
52.203-11	CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS	APR 1991

K.2 52.204-3 TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION (OCT 1998)**(a) Definitions.**

Common parent, as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member.

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(b) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (d) through (f) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the IRS. If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 4.904, the failure or refusal by the offeror to furnish the information may result in a 31 percent reduction of payments otherwise due under the contract.

(c) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(d) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

[] TIN: _____

[] TIN has been applied for.

☐ TIN is not required because:

☐ Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(e) Type of organization.

☐ Sole proprietorship;

☐ Partnership;

☐ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);

☐ Corporate entity (tax-exempt);

☐ Government entity (Federal, State, or local);

☐ Foreign government;

☐ International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;

☐ Other _____

(f) Common parent.

☐ Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (a) of this provision.

☐ Name and TIN of common parent:

Name _____

TIN _____

**K.3 52.209-5 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS
(MAR 1996)**

(a)(1) The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that -

(i) The Offeror and/or any of its Principals -

(A) Are ☐ are not ☐ presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;

(B) Have [] have not [], within a 3-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are [] are not [] presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in subdivision (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) The Offeror has [] has not [], within a 3-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any Federal agency.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

THIS CERTIFICATION CONCERNS A MATTER WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF AN AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE MAKING OF A FALSE, FICTITIOUS, OR FRAUDULENT CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER THE MAKER SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 1001, TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.

(b) The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Contracting Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) A certification that any of the items in paragraph (a) of this provision exists will not necessarily result in withholding of an award under this solicitation. However, the certification will be considered in connection with a determination of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish a certification or provide such additional information as requested by the Contracting Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

K.4 52.215-6 PLACE OF PERFORMANCE (OCT 1997)

(a) The offeror or respondent, in the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, [] intends, [] does not intend [check applicable block] to use one or more plants or facilities located at a different address from the address of the offeror or respondent as indicated in this proposal or response to request for information.

(b) If the offeror or respondent checks "intends" in paragraph (a) of this provision, it shall insert in the following spaces the required information:

Place of performance (street address, city, state, county, code)	Name and address of owner and operator of the plant or facility if other than offeror or respondent

K.5 52.219-22 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS STATUS (OCT 1999)

(a) General. This provision is used to assess an offeror's small disadvantaged business status for the purpose of obtaining a benefit on this solicitation. Status as a small business and status as a small disadvantaged business for general statistical purposes is covered by the provision at FAR 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representation.

(b) Representations.

(1) General. The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a small business under the size standard applicable to this acquisition; and either--

[] (i) It has received certification by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B; and

(A) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification;

(B) Where the concern is owned by one or more disadvantaged individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

(C) It is identified, on the date of its representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net); or

[] (ii) It has submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.

(2) [] For Joint Ventures. The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements at 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representation in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture:

_____.]

(c) Penalties and Remedies. Anyone who misrepresents any aspects of the disadvantaged status of a concern for the purposes of securing a contract or subcontract shall:

- (1) Be punished by imposition of a fine, imprisonment, or both;
- (2) Be subject to administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment; and
- (3) Be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Small Business Act.

K.6 52.227-15 STATEMENT OF LIMITED RIGHTS DATA AND RESTRICTED COMPUTER SOFTWARE (MAY 1999)

(a) This solicitation sets forth the work to be performed if a contract award results, and the Government's known delivery requirements for data (as defined in FAR 27.401). Any resulting contract may also provide the Government the option to order additional data under the Additional Data Requirements clause at 52.227-16 of the FAR, if included in the contract. Any data delivered under the resulting contract will be subject to the Rights in Data--General clause at 52.227-14 that is to be included in this contract. Under the latter clause, a Contractor may withhold from delivery data that qualify as limited rights data or restricted computer software, and deliver form, fit, and function data in lieu thereof. The latter clause also may be used with its Alternates II and/or III to obtain delivery of limited rights data or restricted computer software, marked with limited rights or restricted rights notices, as appropriate. In addition, use of Alternate V with this latter clause provides the Government the right to inspect such data at the Contractor's facility.

(b) As an aid in determining the Government's need to include Alternate II or Alternate III in the clause at 52.227-14, Rights in Data--General, the offeror shall complete paragraph (c) of this provision to either state that none of the data qualify as limited rights data or restricted computer software, or identify, to the extent feasible, which of the data qualifies as limited rights data or restricted computer software. Any identification of limited rights data or restricted computer software in the offeror's response is not determinative of the status of such data should a contract be awarded to the offeror.

(c) The offeror has reviewed the requirements for the delivery of data or software and states [offeror check appropriate block]--

[] None of the data proposed for fulfilling such requirements qualifies as limited rights data or restricted computer software.

[] Data proposed for fulfilling such requirements qualify as limited rights data or restricted computer software and are identified as follows:

Note: "Limited rights data" and "Restricted computer software" are defined in the contract clause entitled "Rights in Data--General."

K.7 INSURANCE - IMMUNITY FROM TORT LIABILITY

The offeror represents that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a State agency or charitable institution, and that it ☐ is not immune, ☐ is partially immune, ☐ is totally immune from tort liability to third persons.

K.8 AGREEMENT ON, OR EXCEPTIONS TO, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Offeror has reviewed the solicitation (Sections B through J of which will become the contract) and ☐ agrees to the terms and conditions set forth therein; or ☐ has the following exceptions (continue on a separate attachment page, if necessary):

K.9 COMPLIANCE WITH VETERANS EMPLOYMENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

(a) The Offeror represents that, if it is subject to the reporting requirements of 38 U.S.C. 4212(d)(i.e., the VETS-100 report required by the Federal Acquisition Regulation clause 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era), it has ☐ has not ☐ submitted the most recent report required by 38 U.S.C. 4212(d).

(b) An Offeror who checks "has not" may not be awarded a contract until the required reports are filed. (31 U.S.C. 1354)

K.10 SIGNATURE

By signature hereon, or on an offer incorporating these Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Offerors, the offeror certifies that they are accurate, current, and complete, and that the offeror is aware of the penalty prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001 for making false statements in offers.

Solicitation No. _____

Offer/Proposal No. _____

Date of Offer _____

Name of Offeror _____

Typed Name and Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS**L.1 NOTICE LISTING SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

The following solicitation provisions pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date) in accordance with the FAR provision at FAR "52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE" in Section L of this solicitation. See FAR 52.252-1 for an internet address (if specified) for electronic access to the full text of a provision.

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
52.204-6	CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER--DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER	JUN 1999
52.215-16	FACILITIES CAPITAL COST OF MONEY	OCT 1997
52.225-10	NOTICE OF BUY AMERICAN ACT--BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM REQUIREMENT-- CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	FEB 2000
52.232-28	INVITATION TO PROPOSE PERFORMANCE-BASED PAYMENTS	MAR 2000

**L.2 52.215-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS--COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION (NOV 1999)
ALTERNATE I (OCT 1997)**

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision--

Discussions are negotiations that occur after establishment of the competitive range that may, at the Contracting Officer's discretion, result in the offeror being allowed to revise its proposal.

In writing or written means any worded or numbered expression which can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.

Proposal modification is a change made to a proposal before the solicitation's closing date and time, or made in response to an amendment, or made to correct a mistake at any time before award.

Proposal revision is a change to a proposal made after the solicitation closing date, at the request of or as allowed by a Contracting Officer as the result of negotiations.

Time, if stated as a number of days, is calculated using calendar days, unless otherwise specified, and will include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. However, if the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the period shall include the next working day.

(b) Amendments to solicitations. If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).

(c) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, proposals and modifications to proposals shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (i) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the proposal is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii) of this provision.

(2) The first page of the proposal must show--

(i) The solicitation number;

(ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available);

(iii) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and agreement to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item;

(iv) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation; and

(v) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.

(3) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals.

(i) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that proposal or revision is due.

(ii)(A) Any proposal, modification, revision, or withdrawal received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--

(1) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals; or

(2) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or

(3) It is the only proposal received.

(B) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(iii) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(iv) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be

deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(v) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before award. Oral proposals in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.215-5, Facsimile Proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

(vi) Notwithstanding paragraph (c)(3)(i) of this provision, a late modification or revision of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(vii) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice or telegram (including mailgram) received at any time before award. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision entitled "Facsimile Proposals." Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the representative's identity is made known and the representative signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

(viii) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office.

(4) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.

(5) Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in English and in U.S. dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation.

(6) Offerors may submit modifications to their proposals at any time before the solicitation closing date and time, and may submit modifications in response to an amendment, or to correct a mistake at any time before award.

(7) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.

(8) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.

(d) Offer expiration date. Proposals in response to this solicitation will be valid for the number of days specified on the solicitation cover sheet (unless a different period is proposed by the offeror).

(e) Restriction on disclosure and use of data. Offerors that include in their proposals data that they do not want disclosed to the public for any purpose, or used by the Government except for evaluation purposes, shall--

(1) Mark the title page with the following legend: This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the Government and shall not be duplicated, used, or disclosed--in whole or in part-- for any purpose other than to evaluate this proposal. If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of--or in connection with-- the submission of this data, the Government shall have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent provided in the resulting contract. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in this data if it is obtained from another source without restriction. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets [insert numbers or other identification of sheets]; and

(2) Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend: Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal.

(f) Contract award. (1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.

(2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.

(3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.

(4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract after conducting discussions with offerors whose proposals have been determined to be within the competitive range. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals. Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint.

(5) The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the proposal.

(6) The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards if, after considering the additional administrative costs, it is in the Government's best interest to do so.

(7) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.

(8) The Government may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more contract line items is significantly overstated or understated as indicated by the application of cost or price analysis techniques. A proposal may be rejected if the Contracting Officer determines that the lack of balance poses an unacceptable risk to the Government.

(9) If a cost realism analysis is performed, cost realism may be considered by the source selection authority in evaluating performance or schedule risk.

(10) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the proposal shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

(11) The Government may disclose the following information in postaward debriefings to other offerors:

- (i) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful offeror;
- (ii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection;
- (iii) A summary of the rationale for award; and
- (iv) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.

**L.3 52.215-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS--COMPETITIVE
ACQUISITION (NOV 1999)
ALTERNATE II (OCT 1997)**

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision--

Discussions are negotiations that occur after establishment of the competitive range that may, at the Contracting Officer's discretion, result in the offeror being allowed to revise its proposal.

In writing or written means any worded or numbered expression which can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.

Proposal modification is a change made to a proposal before the solicitation's closing date and time, or made in response to an amendment, or made to correct a mistake at any time before award.

Proposal revision is a change to a proposal made after the solicitation closing date, at the request of or as allowed by a Contracting Officer as the result of negotiations.

Time, if stated as a number of days, is calculated using calendar days, unless otherwise specified, and will include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. However, if the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the period shall include the next working day.

(b) Amendments to solicitations. If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).

(c) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, proposals and modifications to proposals shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (i) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the proposal is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii) of this provision.

(2) The first page of the proposal must show--

(i) The solicitation number;

(ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available);

(iii) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and agreement to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item;

(iv) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation; and

(v) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.

(3) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals.

(i) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the

solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that proposal or revision is due.

(ii)(A) Any proposal, modification, revision, or withdrawal received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--

(1) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals; or

(2) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or

(3) It is the only proposal received.

(B) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(iii) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(iv) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(v) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before award. Oral proposals in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.215-5, Facsimile Proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

(vi) Notwithstanding paragraph (c)(3)(i) of this provision, a late modification or revision of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(vii) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice or telegram (including mailgram) received at any time before award. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision entitled "Facsimile Proposals." Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the representative's identity is made known and the representative signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

(viii) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office.

(4) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.

(5) Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in English and in U.S. dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation.

(6) Offerors may submit modifications to their proposals at any time before the solicitation closing date and time, and may submit modifications in response to an amendment, or to correct a mistake at any time before award.

(7) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.

(8) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.

(9) Offerors may submit proposals that depart from stated requirements. Such proposals shall clearly identify why the acceptance of the proposal would be advantageous to the Government. Any deviations from the terms and conditions of the solicitation, as well as the comparative advantage to the Government, shall be clearly identified and explicitly defined. The Government reserves the right to amend the solicitation to allow all offerors an opportunity to submit revised proposals based on the revised requirements.

(d) Offer expiration date. Proposals in response to this solicitation will be valid for the number of days specified on the solicitation cover sheet (unless a different period is proposed by the offeror).

(e) Restriction on disclosure and use of data. Offerors that include in their proposals data that they do not want disclosed to the public for any purpose, or used by the Government except for evaluation purposes, shall--

(1) Mark the title page with the following legend: This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the Government and shall not be duplicated, used, or disclosed--in whole or in part-- for any purpose other than to evaluate this proposal. If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of--or in connection with-- the submission of this data, the Government shall have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent provided in the resulting contract. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in this data if it is obtained from another source without restriction. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets [insert numbers or other identification of sheets]; and

(2) Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend: Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal.

(f) Contract award. (1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.

(2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.

(3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.

(4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if the Contracting Officer later determines them to be necessary. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.

(5) The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the proposal.

(6) The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards if, after considering the additional administrative costs, it is in the Government's best interest to do so.

(7) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.

(8) The Government may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more contract line items is significantly overstated or understated as indicated by the application of cost or price analysis techniques. A proposal may be rejected if the Contracting Officer determines that the lack of balance poses an unacceptable risk to the Government.

(9) If a cost realism analysis is performed, cost realism may be considered by the source selection authority in evaluating performance or schedule risk.

(10) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the proposal shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

(11) The Government may disclose the following information in postaward debriefings to other offerors:

- (i) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful offeror;
- (ii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection;
- (iii) A summary of the rationale for award; and
- (iv) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.

L.4 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a (Firm Fixed Price) contract resulting from this solicitation.

L.5 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (AUG 1996)

(a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

Mailing Address:

Ms. Catherine A. Mallay
Regional Contracting Officer
USAID/RSC/RCO/Budapest
Budapest - 1054
Szabadsag ter 7-8.
Bank Center Building, Granit Tower 4th floor.
Hungary

Hand-Carried Address: Same as above.

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

L.6 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.arnet.gov/far>

L.7 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

(a) The offeror should submit the proposal either

(i) electronically - internet email with up to 9 attachments (2MB limit) per email compatible with MS WORD, Excel, Lotus 123 and/or WordPerfect in a MS Windows environment. Only those pages requiring original manual signatures should be sent via facsimile. (Facsimile of the entire proposal is not authorized); or

(ii) via regular mail - sending 4 paper copies of a technical proposal and one original and 2 copies of a cost proposal, however the issuing office receives regular international mail only once a week. All mail is subject to US Embassy electronic imagery scanning methods, physical inspection, and is not date and time stamped prior to receipt by USAID and the Contracting Officer; or

(iii) hand delivery (including commercial courier) of 4 paper copies of a technical proposal and one original and 2 copies of a cost proposal to the issuing office.

(iv) Regardless of the method used the Technical Proposal and Cost Proposal must be kept separate from each other. Technical Proposals must not make reference to pricing data in order that the technical evaluation may be made strictly on the basis of technical merit.

(b) Submission of Alternate Proposals

All offerors shall submit a proposal directly responsive to the terms and conditions of this RFP. If an offeror chooses to submit an alternative proposal, they must, at the same time, submit a proposal directly responsive hereto for any alternate to even be considered.

(c) Government Obligation

The US Government is not obligated to make an award or to pay for any costs incurred by the offeror in preparation of a proposal in response hereto.

L.8 INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

(a) The Technical Proposal in response to this solicitation should address how the offeror intends to carry out the Statement of Work contained in Section C. It should also contain a clear understanding of the work to be undertaken and the responsibilities of all parties involved. The technical proposal should be organized by the technical evaluation criteria listed in Section M.

(b) The past performance references required by this section shall be included as an annex or attachment of the technical proposal.

L.9 INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING KEY PERSONNEL

The contract proposed by this solicitation includes a key personnel clause, and the quality of key personnel proposed will be an evaluation factor. The offeror must include as part of its proposal a statement signed by each person proposed as key personnel confirming their present intention to serve in the stated position and their present availability to serve for the term of the proposed contract. (Reference: Clause F.7 "Key Personnel")

L.10 INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE COST PROPOSAL

The cost proposal must include a fixed price for each separately priced subtask and/or it may contain an alternate pricing methodology.

Any costs to complete the contract that are not included in the prices for each subtask must also be described.

Any unusual circumstances or uncertainties regarding the proposed prices should also be described.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD**M.1 NOTICE LISTING SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

The following solicitation provisions pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date) in accordance with the FAR provision at FAR "52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE" in Section L of this solicitation. See FAR 52.252-1 for an internet address (if specified) for electronic access to the full text of a provision.

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M.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Technical, cost and other factors will be evaluated relative to each other, as described herein.

(a) The technical proposal will be scored by a technical evaluation committee using the criteria shown in this Section.

(b) The cost proposal will be evaluated for reasonableness.

(c) The criteria below are presented by major category, with relative order of importance, so that offerors will know which areas require emphasis in the preparation of proposals. The criteria below reflect the requirements of this particular solicitation.

Offerors should note that these criteria: (1) serve as the standard against which all proposals will be evaluated, and (2) serve to identify the significant matters which offerors should address in their proposals.

- 1) The bidder's plan to implement the work;
- 2) The bidder's capability to perform the work, including past performance record;
- 3) The experience and capabilities of the candidates for the 3 key positions listed in Clause F.7: Team Leader, Accountant and Engineer Specialist;
- 4) Cost.

Relative importance of the evaluation factors: The first 3 factors are equivalent in importance to one another and all 3 together are of more importance than cost. Selection will be based on a best value analysis where evaluated technical and cost factors, including technical versus cost tradeoffs, will be considered. Award will be made to the firm that USAID considers to offers the best value, all evaluation factors considered, to successfully perform the work and complete the contract.

M.3 DETERMINATION OF THE COMPETITIVE RANGE AND CONTRACT AWARD

(a) The competitive range of offerors with whom negotiation will be conducted (if necessary) will be determined by the Contracting Officer based on the above technical and cost evaluation factors, and will be comprised of all offerors whose proposals are determined to have a reasonable chance of being selected for award.

(b) In accordance with FAR 52.215-16, and as set forth in Section L of this solicitation, award will be made by the Contracting Officer to the responsible offeror whose proposal, conforming to the solicitation, is most advantageous to the Government, and the above technical and cost factors considered. The formula set forth above will be used by the Contracting Officer as a guide in determining which proposals will be most advantageous to the Government.

M.4 CONTRACTING WITH SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS AND DISADVANTAGED ENTERPRISES

USAID encourages the participation of small business concerns and disadvantaged enterprises in this project, in accordance with FAR Part 19 (48 CFR Chapter 1), and AIDAR Part 726 (48 CFR Chapter 7). Accordingly, every reasonable effort will be made to identify and make use of such organizations. All evaluation criteria being found equal, the participation of such organizations may become a determining factor for selection.

ATTACHMENT 1**IDENTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE NUMBERS**

The USAID Geographic Code Book sets forth the official description of all geographic codes used by USAID in authorizing or implementing documents, to designate authorized source countries or areas. The following are summaries of the principal codes:

(a) Code 000--The United States: The United States of America, any State(s) of the United States, the District of Columbia, and areas of U.S.-associated sovereignty, including commonwealths, territories and possessions.

(b) Code 899--Any area or country, except the cooperating country itself and the following foreign policy restricted countries: Afghanistan, Libya, Vietnam, Cuba, Cambodia, Laos, Iraq, Iran, North Korea, Syria and People's Republic of China.

(c) Code 935--Any area or country including the cooperating country, but excluding the foreign policy restricted countries.

(d) Code 941--The United States and any independent country (excluding foreign policy restricted countries), except the cooperating country itself and the following: Albania, Andorra, Angola, Armenia, Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Belarus, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia*, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro*, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia*, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan*, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan, and Vatican City.

- Has the status of a "Geopolitical Entity", rather than an independent country.

ATTACHMENT 2 – LIST OF COMPANIES WHO HAVE REQUESTED THE RFP

1. Water Treatment Engineering d.o.o.
Attn: Mr. Teufik Omanovic, Director
Ul. Milana Preloga br. 5.
Sarajevo – 71000, Bosnia-Herzegovina
Tel/Fax: 387-33-652-269 Tel: 387-33-650-193
2. Hydro-Engineering Institute Sarajevo (HEIS)
Attn: Dr. Tarik Kupusovic, Director
Stjepana Tomica 1.
Sarajevo – 71000, Bosnia-Herzegovina
Tel: 387-33-533-438, 532-991
Tel/Fax: 387-33-207-949
3. Vodoprivuduo Preduzede “Spreca”
Attn: Mr. Almas Smailbergovic, Director
Aleja Bosankih Vladara No. 29.
Tuzla – 75000, Bosnia-Herzegovina
Tel/Fax: 387-035-250-063; 250-064; 250-065
Director: 387-035-230-528
4. RTM Engineering Services Co. LLC
Attn.: Rod V. Stanisic
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Tel: 630-515-0983
Fax: 630-515-0833
Email: rtmservices@aol.com
5. The Cadmus Group
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6. PADCO, Inc.
Attn: Ms. Abby Clay, Business Devel. Officer
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Washington, DC 20007 USA
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8. Stone & Webster Consultants
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Washington, DC 20006 USA
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Email: kyle.boyd@stoneweb.com
9. Schreiber Translations, Inc.
Attn: Ms. Marla Schulman, Vice President
51 Monroe Street, Suite 101
Rockville, MD 20850 USA
Tel: 301-424-7737; Fax: 301-424-2336
Email: mschulman@schreibernet.com
10. Cady d.o.o.
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Tel: 387-33-260-720, Fax: 387-33-260-721
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11. Global Business Training, Inc. (GBT)
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12. Institute for Public Partnerships
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13. Corporate Marketing & Information Services
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